

## **HOUSE BILL No. 1324**

DIGEST OF HB 1324 (Updated February 9, 2011 2:28 pm - DI 69)

Citations Affected: Noncode.

**Synopsis:** Child molesting study. Urges the legislative council to assign the topic of child molesting to an existing study committee to study the topic, including whether to elevate the offense of child molesting from a Class C felony to a Class B felony if the child is compelled to submit to the fondling or touching by force or the threat of force.

Effective: July 1, 2011.

## Steuerwald

January 13, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code. February 10, 2011, amended, reported — Do Pass.





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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning child molesting.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011] (a) The general assembly urges the legislative council to assign the topic of child molesting to an existing study committee to study the topic, including whether to elevate the offense of child molesting from a Class C felony to a Class B felony if the child is compelled to submit to the fondling or touching by force or the threat of force.

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- (b) If the topic of child molesting is assigned to an existing study committee under subsection (a), the study committee shall issue a final report to the legislative council containing the study committee's findings and recommendations, including any recommended legislation concerning the topic, not later than November 1, 2011.
  - (c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2011.



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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Courts and Criminal Code, to which was referred House Bill 1324, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

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Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1324 as introduced.)

STEUERWALD, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.





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